

A fatal case of spinal tuberculosis mistaken for metastatic lung cancer: recalling ancient Pott's disease

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Additional file 1: Table S1 – Summary of the patient's diagnostic and therapeutic in-hospital course

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Departments	Dates	Procedures
External Hospitals 1+2	Dec 8th 2006 – Jan 10th 2007	
Emergency department (1)	Dec 8 th 2006	Physical examination
Surgical ward (1)	Dec 8 th -Dec 9 th 2006	Nursing
Radiation oncology (2)	Dec 09 th -Dec 22 nd 2006, Jan 02 nd -03 rd , Jan 10 th 2007	Radiation, repeated bronchoscopy and CT-guided transthoracic biopsy
Orthopedics (2)	Dec 18 th 2006	Physical examination
In-hospital Surgery/Neurotraumatology	Jan 10th – Feb 28th 2007	
Emergency department	Jan 10 th	Physical examination
Surgical ward	Jan 10 th –Feb 28 th	Nursing
Anesthesiology	Jan 12 th , Feb 7 th	Endotracheal anesthesia
OR and surgical ICU	Jan 12 th , Feb 7 th	Laminectomy, spondylodesis, surgical revision, critical care
Cardiology	Feb 17 th	Transesophageal echocardiography
Urology	Feb 14 th	Physical examination, ultrasound
In-hospital Medicine/Pulmonary Care	Feb 28th – April 12th 2007	
Medical ward	Feb 28 th –Mar 8 th , Mar 12 th –Apr 12 th	Nursing
Cardiology	Mar 1 st	Transesophageal echocardiography
Gastroenterology	Mar 5 th , Mar 7 th	Ultrasound, percutaneous gastrostomy
Medical ICU	Mar 8 th –Mar 12 th	Airway management, critical care
Depts. with continuous contacts: Laboratory, Logopedics, Patient Services, Radiology, Rehabilitation Medicine		

The index case/patient was considered contagious at our institution from January 10th until March 7th 2007 (total 57 days), when isolation and antimycobacterial treatment was initiated. A consecutive large-scale in-hospital TB contact investigation among 143 health care workers is reported elsewhere [7]. ICU = intensive care unit; OR = operating room.